

STREET NEWS.

"Rat Baldwin," Able Burglar, Easily Saws His Way Out.

PALS ON THE OUTSIDE.

Jailers Say They Passed in the Tools and Drew the Prisoner to Liberty with a Rope.

William Hale, known also to the police as "Rat Baldwin," a notorious burglar, escaped from Raymond Street Jail, Brooklyn, early yesterday morning. The prisoner was held for the action of the Grand Jury on a charge of burglary.

Friends on the outside are supposed to have smuggled the saws to the prisoner with which he cut his way to liberty. He was arrested on August 27 as he was coming out of Charles H. Colby's house at 177 Devoe street, Williamsburg. In the Kew Street Court he waived examination and his case was to have been passed upon by the October Grand Jury.

Hale was in a cell on E tier, three stories from the ground. He was at some distance from the jail office, where an armed watchman sits all the time.

The bars in all the cells were tested on Friday night with the sounding hammer, and Hale's cage seemed to be secure. Peter Carberry, a watchman, made a tour of the cells at 3 a. m. yesterday and saw Hale lying apparently asleep on his cot.

The watchman could scarcely have turned his back when the prisoner set to work with a steel saw on the cell bars. He cut through one rod, about the middle of the door. At the bottom, the bar was set into a crosspiece, which forms the top of a small door at the bottom of the cell door, through which food is passed to the prisoners. This small crosspiece was carried away with the piece of upright iron.

The removal of the bar and lower crosspiece made an opening large enough for the prisoner to escape into the corridor. Taking with him the iron rod he went down the stairway at the extreme end of the tier of cells to the main floor of the jail. From the door the prisoner swung himself up to the window sill, from where, by means of the levers used to open and close the ventilator. He clung to the window sill until he had cut through a bar of the grating window. He tried this up by means of the bar from his cell door, and succeeded in getting through the grating, a distance of seven feet. The jail authorities believe that the prisoner's confederates were lying in the yard of the City Hospital, which adjoins the jail, and lowered a rope to help him out of the jail yard.

The escape was discovered at 5 a. m., when the prisoners are aroused to take their morning wash. Chief Keeper Wilson informed of the trouble, when he reached the jail at 6 o'clock. He called the police, who arrived at 7 o'clock. The prisoner had a good start by that time. Hale has served two terms in Sing Sing.

CHANGES AND TRANSFERS IN THE WAR OFFICE.

Names of Officers Who Will Pay Our Men When the Ghost Walks Next.

Washington, Sept. 30.—These army orders and transfers were issued to-day:

Captain A. W. Cogswell, Forty-fifth Infantry, to Fort Snelling.

Second Lieutenant G. E. Payne, Forty-ninth Infantry, to the commanding officer, Fort Winthrop.

First Lieutenant G. Montgomery, Ordnance Department, to the commanding officer, Department of the Interior.

Assistant Surgeon J. E. Carroll to Jefferson barracks.

Captain C. D. McCarthy to Washington.

Major H. H. Bellman will pay the troops at September 30, 1899, at Camp Meade.

Major Webster Vinson will pay at Fort Myer, North Point and Fort Armstrong, Maryland; Fort Belvoir and Fort Duane, Ohio.

North Carolina, Major J. E. Payne will pay at Washington barracks, D. C.; Fort Myer, Virginia, and the Signal Corps post that station, Fort Washington, Maryland and Fort Hunt, Virginia.

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NEW JERSEY WARMS AN OCEAN DRIVE.

Monster Mass Meeting Will Discuss It on Tuesday.

OCEAN GROVE OBJECTS.

Projectors of the Driveway Want Bridges Built Across Wesley and Fletcher Lakes.

The subject of the building of a new ocean driveway along the northern New Jersey coast is being warmly agitated here. A monster mass meeting has been called for Tuesday evening next in Edgewater Hall to discuss the matter in all its details.

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RICH GOLD ORE MINED IN PLOWS.

Remarkable Strike Made in the Black Hills.

\$100,000 TO THE TON.

Two Men Take Out \$25,000 Worth of Gold in Ten Hours.

Deadwood, S. D., Sept. 30.—The old saying, "Gold is where you find it," was never truer than in the Granite strike of gold ore three miles southwest of this city.

Just miles it will end in hard to say, but enough ore has already been taken out to make a fortune for one family, and there is no doubt in the least that several more ordinary fortunes.

The strike of gold ore which was made by Otto P. T. Grantz southwest of this city a few days ago has created more excitement in the Black Hills than any other discovery ever made in the country.

The find was made in an old mining district, where all of the mining ground has been taken for years, so that there is not the usual stampede to the camp by would-be locators, as was the case in other rich strikes in the Black Hills.

Some of the best ore was ploughed out with a team when the surface was scraped off down to the ore vein. The ore is easily mined, there being no necessity of using powder. Two miners pick it out, and it is carefully handled, for it is so rich that the gold breaks loose and falls back into the hole with the least jar.

Grantz worked eighteen years. Mr. Grantz is a German, about sixty-five years old. He has been working his ground for eighteen years, and those who know him say that he has only gotten his pay for his work.

He is showing his friends around through his old workings, and he has given away several hundred dollars worth of ore to his friends.

The ore carries a large amount of silver, on which he has given out a great deal of money, and at the same time showing about 800 ounces of gold. The ore is very deep, in appearance, assay certificates on very common, looking ore, running from \$3,000 to \$10,000 per ton. The rock would have been passed over as worthless stuff by the average miner.

The vein matter contains free gold, and at the same time is refractory. An assay was made on some of the ore which had no signs of gold, and returned over \$11,000 to the ton. But the richest ore in the mine is rarely assayed. It is too good to throw away. The ore is so rich that it is worth a good many dollars, and Mr. Grantz estimates that he has \$100,000 worth of ore in his mine.

He has been mining it in a very crude way for the reason that he was not prepared to take out ore extensively at the start.

Yesterday two men secured about thirty sacks of ore, weighing 100 pounds each, and they estimated that they took out \$25,000 in ten hours.

It is certainly the richest strike ever made in the Black Hills, and there are few richer in the world. It is a poor man's mine, for the rich ore can be picked "from the street." It would take a million dollars now to buy Mr. Grantz out. Several times he had been offered \$25,000 by the company, but he always had hopes of finding a fortune.

THIRTY LIVES LOST BY A FIRE ON SHIPBOARD.

General Rengifo Was One of the Victims of a Pitiful Fatality on the Magdalena River.

Baranra, Sept. 30.—By the burning of the steamer Montana, of the Colombian Transport Company, on the Magdalena River, thirty people were killed. The fatality occurred in the night, between 8 P. M. and midnight. Of the fifty passengers, thirty were either drowned or burned to death.

Among the killed were General Julio Rengifo, former Minister of War, and Captain Sanguera, the commander of the steamer. The other victims were mostly soldiers and sailors.

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